

SEMINAR NEWS

Our speaker for the luncheon seminar on Tuesday, March 6 will be PATRICK MASCART, director of the Meteorology Laboratory at the Université de Clermont-Ferrand, France, who will be visiting Dr. Raisa Ruiz, director of the Agrometeorology Department at RENARE. Dr. Mascart will speak in English on the topic of atmospheric modelling; the exact title of his seminar will be announced on Monday.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

March 1 - Arriving, MAURICE MELZAK, Harcourt Films, England, to have interviews with several STRI staff and made advance preparations for a visit in later April/May to make a documentary film at STRI.

March 1 - Arriving, PETER BAHLS, Middlebury College, Vermont, to work with S. Hubbell and D. Feener at BCI at 3 months.

March 2 - Arriving, GORDON MCPHERSON, Missouri Botanical Garden, for several weeks to collect plants.

March 2 - Arriving, TODD HANDLEY, to work with C. Handley on BCI.

March 3 - Arriving, ROBERT BURKE, director, Smithsonian Office of Protection Service (OPS) and JOHN ARMER, Medical Officer, OPS, for an official visit to STRI.

March 4 - Arriving, MARY POWER, SCOTT COOPER and TIM DUDLEY, University of California at Berkeley, to do research on predatory-prey interactions in Panamanian streams. They will be at Gamboa for two weeks.

March 8 - Arriving, HENRY HOWE, University of Iowa, for one week on BCI to continue work on the ecology of a neotropical seed-dispersal system.

March 8 - Arriving, MARY McKENNA, to work with S. Redhead on BCI.

WANTED: GAMBOA HOUSING

The following STRI visitors are looking for space to rent or share in Gamboa. If interested, please call MARY POWER after March 5 at 56-6884.

Mary Power & Scott Power March 14-18
Tom Dudley March 14-31

CALENDAR FOR MARCH

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March 12 - The monthly scientific staff meeting will be held in the Ancon Conference Room at 9:30 am.

March 15 - 30: JIM KARR will be continuing his research on the avifauna of Soberanía National Park with an EARTHWATCH group and other collaborators.

March 19 - The BCNM Committee will hold its quarterly meeting to review space allocations for BCI.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

March 1st was the deadline for submitting the "Research Report Forms" for the Ministry of Health, describing all on-going or anticipated projects at STRI for the current calendar. Staff scientists, visitors and research associates who have not turned in these forms to the Office of the Director are asked to so as soon as possible.

NOTES OF INTEREST

-The Women's Committee of the Smithsonian Associates has awarded a \$1,500 grant to STRI as seed monies to assist in the development of the Nature Trail for Visitors on Barro Colorado Island.

-On Friday, March 1st at 6 pm in the Ancon Conference Room, JORGE VENTOCILLA will give a talk on his participation in the III Seminario Movil organized by CATIE, to the STRI gamewardens, representatives from the FUERZAS DE DEFENSA, and gamewardens from RENARE and IRHE.

-The last issue of LA PRENSA's supplement LA ENCICLOPEDIA DE LA CULTURA PANAMEÑA PARA NIÑOS Y JOVENES, Vol. 12: "La Arqueología Prehistórica en Panamá: una Introducción" is by STRI's RICHARD COOKE.